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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to water supply and disposal, including the  
2 construction of disposal and public water supply systems and  
3 the implementation of federal wastewater and storm water  
4 regulations.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 455B.174, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
2 subparagraph (1), Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) Approve or disapprove the plans and specifications  
4 for the construction of disposal systems or public water  
5 supply systems except for those sewer extensions and water  
6 supply distribution system extensions which are reviewed by  
7 a city or county public works department as set forth in  
8 section 455B.183. If, during the review of the plans and  
9 specifications for a disposal system, a disagreement arises in  
10 regard to whether such plans and specifications satisfy the  
11 statewide standards established pursuant to section 455B.173,  
12 subsection 8, the applicant may request an interim appeal to  
13 the director. If a request for an interim appeal is received  
14 by the director, the director shall meet with the applicant and  
15 department personnel and shall make a written determination  
16 in regard to whether the submitted plans and specifications  
17 satisfy the statewide standards and reasonably assure reliable  
18 compliance with applicable permit requirements, and whether  
19 an exception to the statewide standards is warranted. The  
20 director shall issue, revoke, suspend, modify, or deny permits  
21 for the operation, installation, construction, addition  
22 to, or modification of any disposal system or public water  
23 supply system except for sewer extensions and water supply  
24 distribution system extensions which are reviewed by a city  
25 or county public works department as set forth in section  
26 455B.183. The director shall also issue, revoke, suspend,  
27 modify, or deny permits for the discharge of any pollutant, or  
28 for the use or disposal of sewage sludge. The permits shall  
29 contain conditions and schedules of compliance as necessary to  
30 meet the requirements of this part of this division or chapter  
31 459, subchapter III, the federal Water Pollution Control Act  
32 and the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. A permit issued under  
33 this chapter for the use or disposal of sewage sludge is in  
34 addition to and must contain references to any other permits  
35 required under this chapter. The director shall not issue or



1 department of natural resources if a dispute arises during  
2 review of the plans and specifications for the disposal system.  
3 If the director receives such a request, the director shall  
4 meet with the applicant and department personnel. The director  
5 shall make a written determination regarding whether the  
6 submitted plans and specifications satisfy statewide standards  
7 and reasonably assure reliable compliance with applicable  
8 permit requirements, and whether an exception to the statewide  
9 standards is warranted.

10 The bill requires the department of natural resources to  
11 work with affected cities and counties to produce an annual  
12 report regarding the anticipated costs for construction  
13 of or other upgrades to wastewater or storm water systems,  
14 facilities, or other infrastructure required for compliance  
15 with United States environmental protection agency regulations  
16 related to the administration of the federal Water Pollution  
17 Control Act, the federal Clean Water Act, and the federal  
18 Safe Drinking Water Act, or other federal laws relating to  
19 wastewater or storm water. The report shall contain the name  
20 of each city or county, the date on which each city or county  
21 was granted a permit regarding such systems pursuant to Code  
22 section 455B.103A or 455B.197, an update on the costs and  
23 progress of the most recent construction or other upgrades to  
24 wastewater or storm water systems and the remaining associated  
25 debt, and the potential costs of upcoming construction or other  
26 upgrades.